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Admiral Stansfield Turner Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Stan:

I want to thank you and all your associates for the very interesting and stimulating program provided several of us by the Agency last Thursday. I believe that the objective of understanding between the intelligence community and the academic community is distinctly furthered by the programs of which we were informed. I warmly appreciate the welcoming manner in which our questions were received and the straightforward and concrete replies that came back.

At the end of the day, when you were called to another meeting, I had occasion to make an observation which I venture to repeat here, trying to illustrate part of the academic climate of values. Do the books by Marchetti and Shepp represent breaches of confidence and colleagueship, or worse, from the point of view of the CIA? If so, research that cannot be published or covert operations for an intelligence or investigative agency, constitute a breach of colleagueship and violation of the spirit of the academic community. This is only to express part of the important differences that exist in the missions of the two communities. Impediments to openness are taken seriously among academics as impairments of security are among intelligence officers.

So saying does not deny the areas of cooperation and understanding that can be further explored, even if some differences would be difficult to resolve. Let me conclude as I began, in the warmest appreciation of the openness and cooperativeness in all whom we met. I remember with especial pleasure

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the warmth of hospitality and helpfulness you displayed as host. Feel free to contact me if I can be of further help. I am taking the liberty of giving a copy of your letter to President Fleming to our Faculty Research Ethics Committee in order to illustrate your position on matters of basic interest to them.

With sincere regards,

Done

Theodore Friend President